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## NO SIGN OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOKYO AND WASHINGTON IS IN SIGHT

### Reports Of Japanese Origin: Part Of Propaganda Scheme

INFORMED QUARTERS IN WASHINGTON CAN STILL FIND NO SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION FOR THE PERSISTENT REPORTS FROM THE FAR EAST OF A PENDING COMPREHENSIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOKYO AND WASHINGTON WHICH WILL PUT RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ON A FRIENDLY BASIS.

The only explanation, anywhere in Washington appears to be that they are of Japanese origin and part of the wish "being father to the thought of a propaganda scheme."

There is still no sign of such an agreement in any really informed quarters in Washington, says Reuter.

It is pointed out by some observers that it is strange that if such an agreement is to be forthcoming soon as President Roosevelt has not yet replied to Prince Konoye's personal letter.

Mr. Cordell Hull, at his Press conference, has appealed to observers to take pains to discount all reports of an impending agreement and continues to assert forcefully that the American policy still rests on the pronouncements of July 1937 and before the Congressional Lease-Lend Bill Committee hearings.

### Germans Claim Big Victory

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—A big victory for the German forces in the south of the Eastern Front is claimed by the German High Command communiqué today.

If this is true it would constitute a grave danger to Kiev and Crimea.

In the Odessa sector the Russian forces have beaten back the German attacks with the Russians suffering heavy casualties.

In the central sector the situation in Marshal Timoshenko's counter-attacks is still obscure.

### NEW AUSTRALIAN ENVOY

CHUNGKING, Sept. 16 (Central)—Sir Frederick Eggleston, the first Australian Minister to China, is expected to arrive in Chungking to assume his post within a few days.

He will reach here from Rangoon by plane.

### Two Junkers Destroyed In Libya Air Operations

CAIRO, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—An additional communiqué issued from the R.A.F. Headquarters last night says:

"Further details of yesterday's air operations over the frontier zone of the Western Desert show that in addition to the destruction of enemy aircraft mentioned in this afternoon's communiqué, two German aircraft of the Junkers 87 type were destroyed by anti-aircraft fire and another compelled to make a forced landing, the crew being captured.

"The attack by our fighters on the Gamut landing ground was very successful, a number of enemy aircraft being severely damaged.

"Last night, the attack on this landing ground was resumed by the Fleet Air Arm. Their bombing resulted in eight enemy aircraft being left in flames and some half a dozen others damaged."

### Hamburg Heavily Hammered

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Heavy bombing attacks were made by R.A.F. bombers on Hamburg last night. Docks, railway yards and industrial buildings were bombed and large fires were started.

Other aircraft attacked Wilhelmshaven and the docks at Le Havre.

Nine British aircraft are missing from these operations.

### WELCOME FOR N.Z. PREMIER

WELLINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—The New Zealand Labour Party today passed a resolution welcoming back Mr. Peter Fraser, the Prime Minister, who has just completed a visit to Britain.

These statements of policy towards Japan are of vital concern to a Third Power—CHINA.

China is vitally concerned in any material change in Japanese-American relations for Japanese aggression in China had been the chief cause of the troubled relations between Tokyo and Washington and no settlement of those difficulties seems possible in which China is not concerned or consulted.

There is no information in Chinese or other circles that China has yet been consulted by Washington. Another country concerned is Australia and though there is believed to be close consultation between the State Department and Australian representatives the latter do not seem unduly concerned over the talks between the United States and Japan.

Chinese in Washington do not appear to be worried by the persistence of the reports of an impending agreement between Tokyo and Washington while reports from Tokyo that Chungking might negotiate with Nanking for an end to the war between China and Japan are received with something approaching derision.

### CHINESE LAUGH

Chinese circles laugh at the suggestion that General Chiang Kai-shek would talk with Wang Ching-wei. The Japanese may continue to call the war an incident but it is certain that conclusion of this incident must be discussed between China and Japan.

One well-informed source states bluntly that the United

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### 63-YEAR-OLD SHAH OF IRAN ABDICATES

The 63-year-old Shah of Iran, H. I. M. REZA SHAH PAHLVI, is succeeded by his 21-year-old son, the Crown Prince, H. I. M. SHAPOOR MOHAMMED REZA who was born in Teheran and educated in Switzerland.

The news of the abdication was announced by the Teheran Radio, according to Reuter Bulletin.

These developments were announced by the Prime Minister at an extraordinary session of the Iranian Parliament yesterday morning.

The Shah has already left Iran by car.

It is reported that the British and Soviet troops in Iran are advancing on Teheran and that the Russian forces from Kasvin are within half a mile of the Iranian capital where they have made a rendezvous with the British.

The new Shah, on March 15, 1935, married Princess Faouzia, the eldest sister of the King of Egypt.

Reza Pahlevi came to the Throne in 1925 in succession to Sultan Ahmed who was deposed by the Iranian Parliament. "In the name of national welfare."

### DRIFTING MINES LEAD TO THE SUSPENSION OF FERRY SERVICES: SECOND TYPHOON OF THE YEAR PASSES SOUTH, GOES CLOSE TO MACAO

All danger having passed, the No. 8 typhoon signal, which was hoisted at the Royal Observatory at 2.25 o'clock yesterday afternoon to replace the No. 9 signal which had been displayed since 9.20 a.m., was lowered at five minutes to nine o'clock last night.

THERE WAS QUITE A STIR AMONG COLONY RESIDENTS SHORTLY BEFORE 8.30 LAST NIGHT WHEN IT BECAME KNOWN THAT THE NAVAL AUTHORITIES HAD ORDERED THE SUSPENSION OF THE CROSS-HARBOUR FERRY SERVICES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE NIGHT Owing TO THE PRESENCE OF DRIFTING MINES.

The last "Star" ferry launch left the Hongkong pier at 8.30 with, it is learned, only a few passengers, while the last departure from Kowloon was fifteen minutes earlier, the ferry carrying, it is understood, a fairly full complement.

The "Star" ferry service had earlier in the day owing to the typhoon, stopped running from 9.25 a.m. until the afternoon, the first launch leaving Kowloon at 4.30 o'clock and from Hongkong at 4.15.

Regarding the typhoon, which was moving to the south of the Colony on a west-north-westerly track which must have taken it very close to Macao a few hours later, the Royal Observatory issued the following statement yesterday evening:

At 6 a.m. yesterday the typhoon was centred about 60 miles S. E.

CALM COMMENT  
While it was generally interpreted as implying convoys, must wireless comment was noticeably calm although subsequent shooting was apparently taken for granted.

Opposition to and reluctance to endorse the President's message completely are, however, shown in some quarters.

Certain papers feel uneasy over the extent of "defensive waters" and argue that the United States has undertaken a supremely difficult task.

Scripps-Howard Press states that engaging in a shooting war in the Atlantic is a direct incentive to Japan to attack in the Pacific.

Another report from the Kowloon City district states that two males and four females were removed to Kowloon Hospital for treatment of injuries received during the typhoon.

Hongkong, moving slowly north-west. When approaching the coast it veered more to the westward, and passed close to the south of the Colony at 1 p.m. the lowest barometer reading being 29.03 inches.

The typhoon was then moving on a W. N. W. track which must have taken it very close to Macao a few hours later.

The highest velocity recorded at the Royal Observatory was 109 m. p. h. at 12.35 p.m.

### FORCE 11

The average between noon and 1 p.m. was force 11 (64 to 75 m. p. h.).

The typhoon has produced very slight rainfall only 1.25 inches being recorded up to 6 p.m. yesterday.

Squally weather, with rain will, however, continue for several hours.

Hongkong experienced its second typhoon scare of the season—with its attendant inconveniences such as the suspension of the cross-harbour services and land transports—when the No. 9 storm signal was hoisted at 9.27 a.m. yesterday. This signal was replaced, at 2.25 p.m., by the No. 8, when the position of the typhoon had shifted to 22 degrees N. and 113 degrees E.

A skeleton service was maintained by both the "Star" and Vehicular ferries until 9.30 a.m. when the last ferries left the Hongkong wharves after the hoisting of the No. 9 signal. Both services were resumed at 4.15 p.m. from Hongkong.

### BUSES AND TRAMS STOP

The bus service on the mainland were maintained, with the exception of the Un Long route, until 12.30 p.m. when the buses were all recalled to the garages. This service was, however, resumed shortly after 3 p.m.

On the Island, buses were only running on the Nos. 2 (Vehicular Ferry to Tai Po Docks), No. 5 (Kennedy Town to Tai Hang) and No. 5A (Kennedy Town to Happy Valley) routes, until shortly after noon when the wind was at its highest velocity, when all buses stopped running. Service was resumed at 3 p.m.

Trams were also recalled to their depots about the same time as the bus service was suspended, and this service was not resumed until after 3 p.m. when the Peak Tram service, which stopped running at

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### Insurgent Activities

ZURICH, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—At a Cabinet meeting today, the Government announced two war-time measures to tighten control over the movement of industrial and commercial capital and Japan's yen bloc exports, says a Japanese report.

The measures will coincide with the plan for mobilising materials and expanding production already in force.

The capital control programme will give priority in the use of funds in banks and credit institutions to war-time industries.

A reserve fund will be built up to adjust capital supply and demand with the State Treasury to carry out the programme.

The aim of the yen bloc trade programme is to maintain Japan's exports to China and Manchukuo at the 1940 level and increase imports of raw materials from the two countries.

The measures are two of seven important Government plans for 1941.

Aid has been urgently requested to relieve the food shortage.

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### VIGOROUS EXPRESSION OF CHINA'S RESOLVE

CANBERRA, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Presenting his credentials to LORD GOWRIE, Governor-General of Australia, MR. HSU MO, the First Chinese Minister to Australia, said that the Australians on the various war fronts have aroused the deepest admiration of the Chinese who are defending their own soil with equal valour and determination.

Lord Gowrie said the appointment of Mr. Hsu Mo not only maintains but extends the friendly and harmonious Australian-Chinese relations.

The Herald, in a leader on the occasion, says that in history there are few finer examples of high courage and determination than that which the Chinese people has shown in withstanding four years' attempts of Japan to subdue them, and since his arrival, Mr. Hsu Mo had given a vigorous expression of their resolve to continue the struggle until China's freedom is completely restored.

### U.S. SUPPLIES

In reply to a question, Mr. Ishii said that neither Washington nor Moscow has yet replied to the Japanese representations regarding shipping of supplies from the United States to Vladivostock.

He also said that he could not tell when the Japanese Government would fit the vacant ambassadorial post in London.

Answering a further question, he declared that the trade negotiations between Japan and the N.E.I. was still in progress in Siam.

### GENERAL ISMAY GOING TO MOSCOW

Additional members of the British Mission to Moscow, which will be headed by Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Supply, (says Reuter Bulletin) are:

MAJOR-GENERAL G. N. MACREADY, C. M. G. D. S. O., O. B. E. M. C. Assistant Chief of the Imperial General Staff;

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR HASTINGS ISMAY, K. C. B., D. S. O., Senior Staff Officer in the Ministry of Defence;

CAPTAIN H. H. BALFOUR, M. C. Under-Secretary for Air.

Members of the Mission already in Moscow are:

Lieut-General F. N. Mason Macfarlane, M. C.

Acting Colonel K. G. Exham.

Rear-Admiral G. J. A. Miles.

Air Vice-Marshal A. C. Collier; and

Mr. Laurence Cadbury, representing the Bank of England.

DINES WITH PREMIER

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Lord Beaverbrook had an interview yesterday with Mr. Averell Harriman, head of the U.S. Mission to Moscow, and the latter dined with the Prime Minister last night.

Lord Beaverbrook and Mr. Harriman announced that they will be going to Moscow as soon as possible.

### Jap. Minister At Large Returns To U.S. Capital

TOKYO, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—After numerous conferences with high Japanese Army, Navy and Government officials and at least one "important" interview with Mr. Joseph Grew, American Ambassador, Mr. Wakasugi, Japanese Minister at Large, who came back to Japan two weeks ago for consultations, has now returned to the United States.

This was revealed at this morning's Press conference by the Government spokesman, Mr. Koh Ishii, who stated that Mr. Wakasugi sailed on Monday. The spokesman also revealed that a special Foreign Office official was accompanying Mr. Wakasugi back to the American capital but he refused to divulge the name, position or role the official would play in Washington.

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mai.

A.R.P. INQUIRY  
TODAY

Owing to the typhoon the A.R.P. Inquiry which was to have been summed up today was postponed to 10.30 a.m. today at the Puisan Judge's Court.

The seventh swimming gala of the Hongkong and Kowloon Residents' Union has been postponed to Saturday, at 5.30 p.m.

## ADVERTISEMENT

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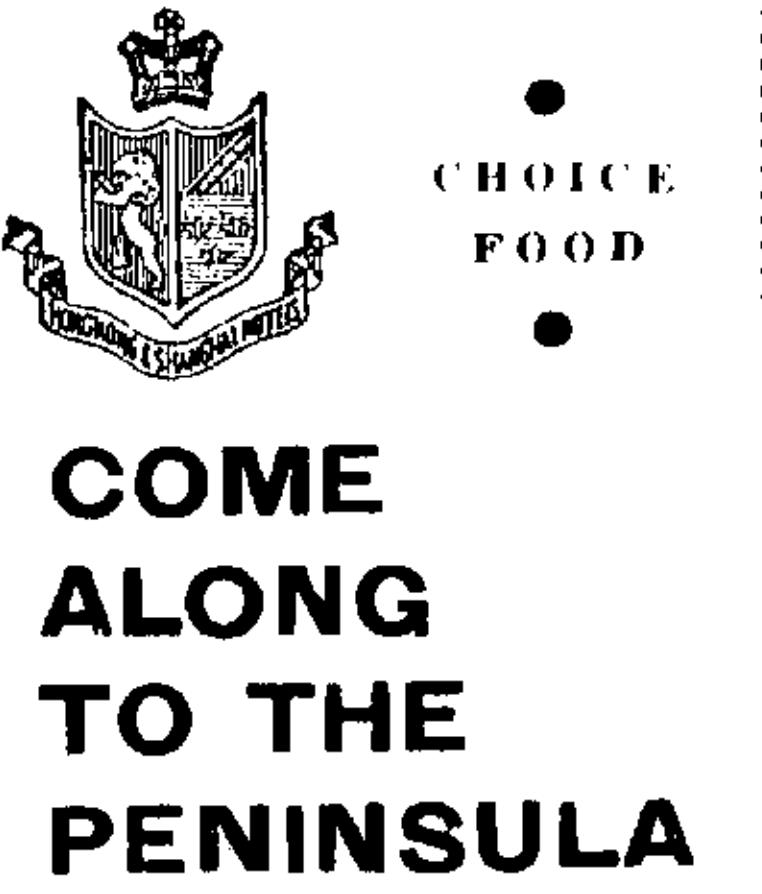
Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Seventh Extra Race Meeting to be held (weather permitting) on Saturday, 27th September, 1941, may be obtained from the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building, the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 18th September, 1941.

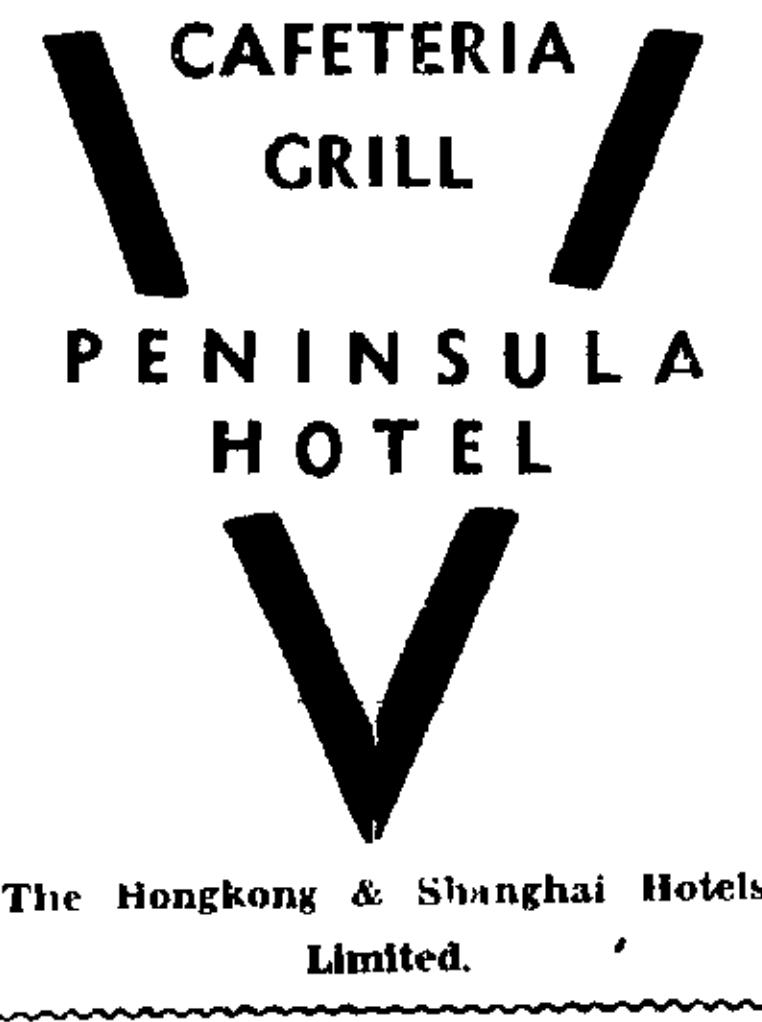
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# China Very Hopeful For Future Of Reconstruction Programme: Interesting Address At Rotary Tiffin

"China is proud of her past resistance to aggression, is optimistic about the outlook of her situation and very hopeful for her future reconstruction programme," declared DR. STEPHEN CHAO YING PAN, journalist and writer, when he addressed the weekly tiffin meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club held in the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel yesterday afternoon.

Rotarian Professor R. Robertson presided.

Mr J. N. Van der Laan introduced Mr J. G. Mulder, Mr N. J. Perrin introduced Mr B. Hallstone, and Mr Sommers introduced Dr. R. G. Shannon.

Rotarian Robertson welcomed to the meeting Mr J. J. Wierink from Canton, and Mr L. Stark from Shanghai.

In his address, Dr Chao said:

"As a person who has frequently addressed the Rotary Club both in the United States and Canada, I consider it an honour and privilege of having this opportunity to address the Rotary Club of Hongkong. I wish to thank Dr Arthur Woo, your former President, and Mr R. Robertson, your President, for their kind invitation extended to me.

In order to understand China's present outlook, it is necessary to discard certain misunderstandings of China. The Chinese people have been quite frequently the victims of unfairness. In many Occidental countries, the name of China is too often associated with laundry tickets, opium dens and the 'dark and devilish ways' of having a Far Eastern setting. Even to many an American or European, the term Chinese is almost equivalent to coolies, ricksha boys and peasants.

It is needless to study the Peking Man's skull from the standpoint of anthropology to assert that the 'Peking Man' is known to be the first human being known to anthropologists. It is equally superfluous for me to tell you that Chinese culture and civilisation have an unbroken history of 45,000 years. I need not mention anything about Chinese literature, classes, philosophy and art. However, Chinese contributions to Occidental civilisation should not be omitted here.

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## INVENTION OF PAPER

Paper was invented by the Chinese in the first century of the Christian era and was imported into Europe by the Arabs. The Arabs brought this art to Spain in the 12th century and from Spain it was exported to the rest of Europe. Printing and block printing are also well-known Chinese inventions. The movable type was neither the production of the Hollander, Laurens J. Coster (1370-1440), nor the German, Johannes Gutenberg (1397-1468). It was a Chinese block printer named Pi Sheng, who first used movable porcelain printing during the Ch'ing L. Period (A.D. 1040-48) of Emperor Jen Tsung (1023-63) of the Sung Dynasty.

The mariner's compass, which enabled Christopher Columbus to discover America, is likewise an invention of the Chinese. It is possible that without the invention of the compass, I would not be so

## INCORRECT CONCEPTION

In regard to the form of the Government of the Occident generally may have an incorrect conception. Many an American and European may think that China has always been a tyrannical monarchy with the emperor having absolute powers, known as "I am the State" theory. But history again proves that China, though for more than 4,000 years had been under a system of monarchy but the Government of China is an autocratic rule superimposed on a democracy. This is evident from such statements by Mencius as "Heaven sees according as the people see; Heaven hears according as the people hear. The people are most important in a nation; the spirits of the land and grain are the next; the sovereign is the lightest." No modern theory on sovereignty is quite similar to this.

No wonder Prof. Giles, an outstanding English authority on Chinese culture and literature, said "China as a great democracy living in the greatest Republic the world has ever seen." Prof. W. W. Willoughby, an American authority on political theories stated, that the Chinese are a democratic people. In fact, China's determined resistance has demonstrated to the world that China gives the first admirable example to the world that a weak nation can effectively and successfully resist a formidable aggression.

## CONFLICTING THEORY

The theory of the so-called "New

## GENERAL

"DARKIE" CHEN  
ENDOWMENT

Sufficient funds have now been collected by the soccer matches last season to endow not only one scholarship at Chinese University, where the late Chen Chen-wo was educated—but also for a second at Amoy University, in which city he was born.

The interest on the amount collected and invested in Chinese Bonds besides being sufficient to endow the scholarships will also leave a surplus.

The committee will, in all probability, consist of a representative from Hongkong Chinese Athlete Federation, Hongkong Football Association, Hongkong Football Referees' Association, Chinese Press and two or three of the Chinese public who are keen followers of the game.

"DARKIE" is in conflict with Anglo-American theories of the conduct of international relations and their national interests. Any appearance must know that the ambition of hegemony in the world cannot be satisfied with any kind of appearance. History of the past ten years should be sufficient to prove this point. China is the mistress of her own soul. China's extensive territory, rich resources, determined will power together with her increasing military strength will not allow any country or countries to seek peace at China's expense. China, as a bulwark of democracy, is ready to play her own part to defeat the Axis powers and to reconstruct the world.

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SPORTING  
FIXTURES

## TODAY

BASKETBALL — National University v. Trojans, 7.30 p.m. South China A.A. v. Yu Leang 8.30 p.m. (Kowloon C. Y. M. C. A.).

LAWN BOWLS — Open Pairs Championship, Quarter Final. H.A. Alves and V. V. Ribeiro v. S.R. Soling and K.M. Omar (Kowloon Bowling Green Club), 5.15 p.m.

SWIMMING — Hongkong Area Army Swimming Championships, Army Pool.

TENNIS — "C" Division: C.C.C. v. C. D. R. K. I. T. C. v. C.R.C.

## TOMORROW

RACING — Entries Close for Hongkong Jockey Club's 7th Extra Race Meeting, 12 noon.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

BASKETBALL — League, V. R. C. v. Ping Ching, 7.30 p.m. Wah Kiu v. Police, 8.30 p.m. (Kowloon C.Y.M.C.A.).

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

LAWN BOWLS — First Division Indian R.C. v. Kowloon Docks. Craigengower v. K.B.G.C. "B": Police v. Recreio "B": Recreio "A" v. C.S.C.C. Second Division Recreio v. Craigengower; Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C. Kowloon Tong v. Talkoo. Third Division Craigengower v. Police: Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C. Electric v. Indian R.C.

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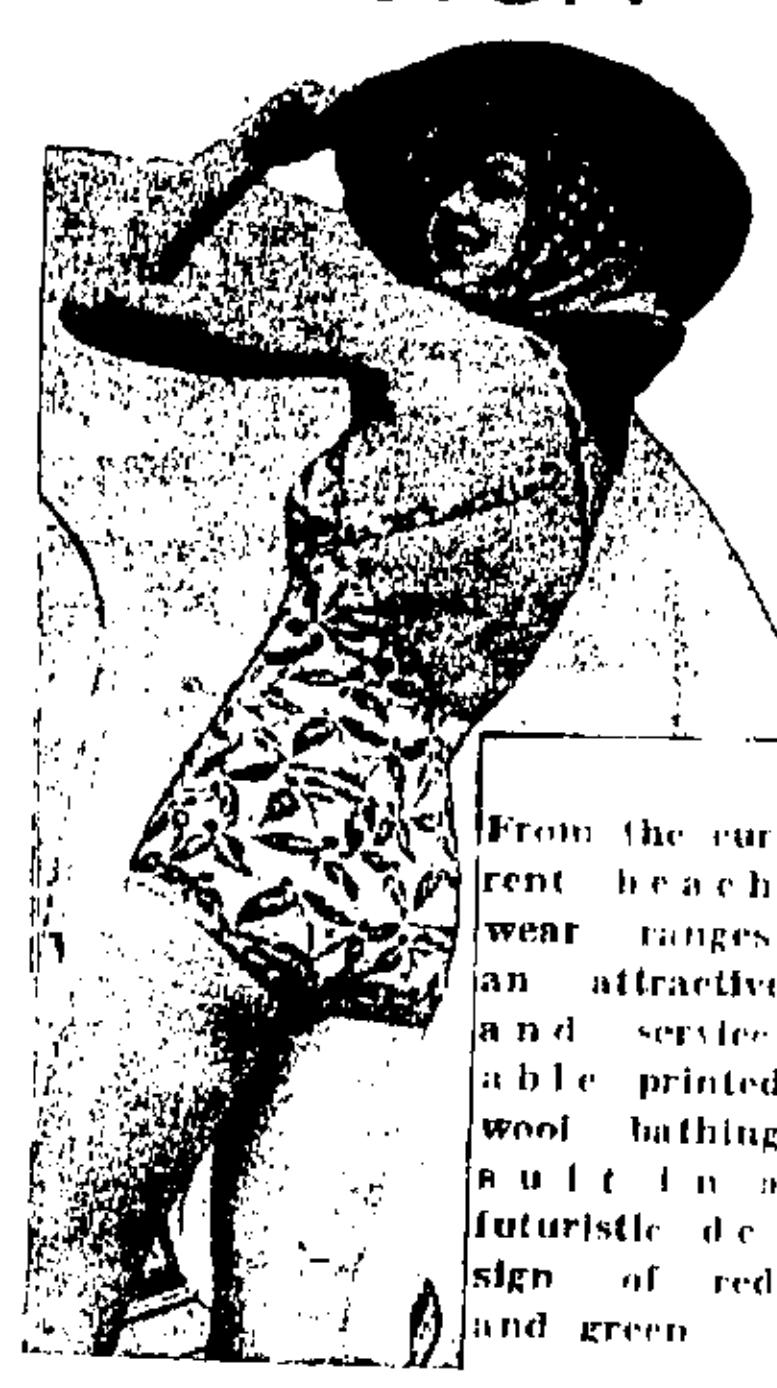


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## "GRASS WIDOWS" IN ERITREA

Asmara in Eritrea is a town of "grass widows." The population includes 30,000 Italian women, wives of prisoners of war or evacuated from dangerous parts of Abyssinia. Here are also the wives of all Italians in Gondar, where Italy's last force which is being steadily depleted by desertion, awaits the final assault on its defences on top of 3,000 feet, almost unclimbable cliffs.

## LIVING ON ALLOWANCES

Asmara's streets are thronged by Italian women living on allowances granted by the British Government.

Italian civilian residents go about their work peacefully, showing a remarkable disposition to co-operate with British authorities who have shown great leniency in the treatment of the Italians.

All Italian colonial police in their distinctive uniforms, assist the British military police to control traffic. The petrol shortage is being rapidly overcome.

## CHINA MAY SEND SILK TO U.S.

The United China Relief declared on Sept. 6 it had received Chungking reports that ample silk will be available for the United States from China if the present silk expansion programme in China continues successfully.

The organisation reported that 50 Chinese war orphans have been "adopted" by Americans after radio appeals had been broadcast. Among those adopting "warorphans" was Mr. Albert Einstein, world-famous physicist. The adopters each send the club US\$10.

## TIN HAT BALL ON OCT. 3

## ENTIRELY NEW CABARET

One of the main features at the TIN HAT BALL, which is to be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Oct. 3, in aid of Hongkong's Bomber Fund, will be an entirely new cabaret, by Carol Bateman, assisted by Gelson Gilmour.

Several new dance numbers are now being rehearsed by leading members of the Colony's fair sex, and the fact that Carol is, with her usual ability and originality, undertaking the production, gives every promise that the show will be a very pleasing one.

Dresses are being specially designed, and a local gentleman has kindly come forward and offered to defray the cost of the Cabaret wardrobe.

Other attractions and novelties are also being prepared, but as these are as yet in the hush-hush stage, the public are advised to watch for further announcements. Those who are planning parties are specially requested to reserve their tables as soon as possible. A large attendance is already assured, and both the promoters and the management of the hotel hope that the usual last minute rush will be avoided, so that all table arrangements can be made well in advance.

## GRACIE FIELDS REWINS BRITAIN: BACK IN THE HEARTS OF THE NATION

GRACIE FIELDS IS BACK IN BRITAIN AND THE HEARTS OF HER COUNTRYMEN.

Gracie's songs have cheered soldiers of two wars, but she was criticised in the press and the House of Commons during last year because she remained in North America.

As bombs fell in London, editorials reminded her admirers that their Gracie wasn't at home to period she went to the United States and made motion pictures in Hollywood for her large British Empire following.

NATION'S DARLING But that's forgotten now, and she's the Nation's darling again—the tall, blonde, sometime Laddie of Canada and sang in New York for British war relief.

She gave a charity show before war workers at Rochdale the other day. It started slowly but when it was over, they were shouting "she's still our Gracie."

To a Briton, there's magic just in her walk onto stage. Gracie is 43, her voice has an exceptional range and little else, but her showmanship is amazing.

## ROBUST SONGS

She can sing robust songs to 3,000 war-hardened troops to the accompaniment of their whistles and cheers, then have them bawling in their battle dress as she sings an old Irish lullaby.

Gracie doesn't have much to say about the last year but that she's glad to get home and wants to "sing and sing and sing" to troops, factory workers and everyone who'll forgive me for being away so long when things were so hard."

## PROPHET MA OF H.K.

Outstanding among the many fortune tellers in Hongkong today is Wensze Ma, 35 who is well known for his uncanny accuracy in foretelling coming events.

## MORE REMARKABLE

More remarkable is the fact that he knew what was coming not only to his clients but to himself, although precautionary measure to ward off an evil event was not always successful.

## AFTER A HARD DAY'S WORK

After a hard day's work in which he gave valuable advice to scores of clients seeking fame, wealth or wedlock, Ma went home one evening only to discover through his usual professional medium that something amiss or unpleasant would happen that night.

## WRITING CHARM

The seer was rather alarmed, as his forecasts always came out correct. Fortunately he believed he also knew how to avoid unfavourable developments by writing charms.

Prophet Ma accordingly prepared several charms and asked his wife to paste them on the wall to prevent the influx of evil spirits. Being a non-believer in astrology, palmistry and kindred sciences, Madame Ma stuck the charms in the wrong order and direction to the chagrin of her husband.

## RIGHT AGAIN!

Husband and wife quarrelled. Hot trades developed into fierce blows, resulting in injuries to his head.

The prediction of the fortune teller was right again, for he knew in advance that something bad would happen to him that night. The only trouble is that he could not parity it.

## NOT HER UNLUCKY NUMBER

Stewardess Clara Johnson, of United Air Lines, has just resigned after ten years with United, in which time she flew something over 2,000,000 miles more than any other woman in the world!

Miss Johnson was the thirteenth girl in the United States to become a stewardess. She was a pioneer in her way as United was in its—for United was the first line in the country to provide stewardess service on its planes. Today there are more than 500 stewardesses flying the airways of the country.

Miss Johnson, an attractive auburn-haired girl, retired from the airways in order to join the medical staff of the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation at Burbank, California, and contribute what she could to the broad programme of national defence by keeping aeroplane makers in good health.

## Bride's Gown From Groom's Parachute

If Richard K. West of New York was not suffering too badly from the nervous tension that usually attacks a bridegroom as he waited at the altar, he must have observed something familiar about the gown, his bride, Miss Betty Lingle wore in Evanston's First Baptist church recently.

While she was being attacked in Parliament and press, she made an extensive personal appearance tour of Canada and sang in New York for British war relief.

Last autumn she said in Hollywood she had received a cabled apology from Baldwin Webb, Secretary of Parliament, for at its custodians voiced there that she and her husband had taken large amounts of cash from England when they came to the United States.

Her husband said then that the British War Office had instructed Miss Fields to go to Canada, and that the amount of money they had taken along was necessary because she was paying not only her own expenses but those of her troupe as well.

## ALL RIGHT AGAIN

But when Gracie got up and sang the other day, everything was all right again to the public.

She finished with "There'll Always Be An England" and a lot of people listening said it seemed as though there would be at that "now that Gracie's back."

## NEWSSETTES

They're twins, but the newly-born daughters of Mr and Mrs David Cabera of Pueblo won't celebrate their birthdays on the same day. The first was born at 9:05 am on Saturday but the second didn't arrive until 27 hours later—about noon Sunday.

## B. W. O. F.

The following is the latest list of subscriptions received to date for credit of the B.W.O.F.

Previously acknowledged £115 and \$739,238.33.

Analysts Government Laboratory monthly: \$65. A. H. Guinness monthly: 20. D. G. Day monthly: 15. Mrs. F. M. Deacon monthly: 10. Mrs. Perdue (for employing anaths to knit for children of bombed areas) 10. Mrs. Cock for employing tailors to sew garments for children in bombed areas 10.

The Eastern Athletic Association 20. Sale of 1 C.H.S.S. Badge 1.

Quarry Bay Working Party 14.50. Club de Recreio (4th Donation) 850. 1 On Insurance Co., Ltd. 25. A. K. Chan 10. Kowloon Docks K.C. 17th Donation for St. Dunstans 121. A. Vaswani 25. Total: \$740,434.83 and £115.

## HISTORICAL LANDMARKS IN HONGKONG

Interesting light was shed on several houses in Hongkong bearing significance on the Chinese Revolution by MR. MA SIU-CHUN in a broadcast over the local Broadcasting Station last week.

According to Mr. Ma, one of the earliest revolutionary societies Fu Yan Man Shia Kwong Fuk Wu was inaugurated on March 14, 1892 at No. 1, Pak Tsz Lane, (1st Floor,) Central District. There were 16 members including Messrs. Tse Chan-tai, Yeung Kui-wan, Chan Fan, Chau Chewngok, Wong Kwok-yu, Lo Man-yuk, Lau Yin-bun, Hu Kon-chee, Hun Chung-yiu, and Luk King-fo.

Mr. Luk King-fo himself stayed on the 2nd Floor of the same house. Mr. Yeung Kui-wan who was the eldest among them all was elected Chairman of the society. The motto of the society was "Chun Shum Ol Kwok" (Whole-hearted Patriotism).

So far as Mr. Ma knows, only two of the members, Luk King-fo and Chau Chewngok, are still living.

No 13, (Ground Floor,) Staunton Street, Central Street, is also an historical spot, where the Hsing Chung Hui, the predecessor of the Tung Meng Hui and the Kuomintang, was inaugurated by Dr. Sun Yat-sen, Yew Li, Mr. Yeung Kui-wan and others on February 15, 1895, or according to Mr. Lau Chan-tai, February 18, 1895.

ELECTED CHAIRMAN Mr. Wong Wing-sheung was elected Chairman of the Hsing Chung Hui. Three members of the Fu Yan Man Shia Kwong Fuk Wu, Messrs. Yeung Kui-wan, Tse Chan-tai and Chau Chewngok also joined this new revolutionary organisation.

Later Mr. Wong Wing-sheung resigned and was succeeded by Mr. Yeung Kui-wan as Chairman. Through Mr. Wong and Mr. Yeung were Chosen successively, Dr. Sun Yat-sen and Mr. Yew Li ac-

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 22nd day of September, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kau Pui Shek, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet.	Amount	Bonus	Upset Price
1	Lot No. 4350.	Between Kau Pui Inland Lots Nos. 4278 & 4279, Ha Heung Road, To Kwa Wan.	S. 8 ft. 6 in. W. 2 ft. 3 in. N. 2 ft. 3 in. E. 2 ft. 3 in.	8	8	8	8

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$165.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$334.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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A new dike along the Yellow River in north Honan, construction of which was begun last April, has been practically completed, entailing a cost of \$3,000,000. Mr. Chang Kwang-yu, Honan Commissioner of Reconstruction, left Loyang for Chengchow on Sunday to inspect it.

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## 451 DEBENTURES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that INTEREST on the six months ending 30th SEPTEMBER, 1941, on the above DEBENTURES will be payable at the OFFICES of the COMPANY on that date.

THE REGISTER OF DEBENTURES will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 24th SEPTEMBER, 1941, to TUESDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1941, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of DEBENTURES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

O. EAGER,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th Sept., 1941.

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## TO ALL TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that Bill of Lading No. 236 dated 16th August, 1941 issued by the Indo China Navigation Co. covering packages Gourmet Power.

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consigned from Shanghai to Hongkong to the undersigned ex. S. S. "Wing Sang" has been mislaid, lost or stolen and the said Bill of Lading for all intents and purposes is declared null and void.

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## A.R.P. MAN'S OFFENCE

## Incident In Bombed Bungalow

Found guilty of an improper assault on a girl in a bungalow which he visited to inspect air raid damage, Vero Laverton Berrie, 59, A.R.P. deputy custodian in the A.R.P. service at Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, was bound over for two years at Chelmsford Quarter Sessions, and ordered to pay £5 5s costs.

Miss Ivy Ethel Curtis, an attractive girl of 19, she was employed as a daily help at a bungalow in Gorse-lane, Clacton, which was damaged in an air raid. On the following morning, when her employers were out, Berrie called to inspect the damage.

He sat on a stool near the kitchen door, and tried to pull her on to his lap. She resented his action, and told him to go away. He said he was not in a hurry, and then committed the offence complained of.

## PUT HAND AN BACK

When interviewed by the police, Berrie said he only put his hand on the girl's back in a friendly way.

He afterwards made a statement in which he said he put his hand in the small of the girl's back and observed, jokingly, "You haven't many clothes on, have you?"

The girl laughed and replied, "I don't feel the cold." He also said to her, "You are a nice little girl; do you live about here?"

Berrie, who stated that before the war he was a working partner in a firm of architects and surveyors at Clacton, denied the girl's story of the alleged assault.

Det. Holliday told the Court that for some time Berrie had been a deputy custodian in the A.R.P. service at a salary of £300 a year.

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## EDITORIAL

## QUO TAI-CHI ON U.S.-JAPAN TALKS

CHUNGKING, Sept. 16 (Reuters) — "China is confident that the United States has no intention of making any arrangement at the expense of China and that if any discussions are initiated affecting China and her rights she will be fully consulted," said DR. QUO TAI-CHI, the Chinese Foreign Minister, commenting on the discussions between Washington and Tokyo.

Commenting on the report that discussions were "only exploratory," Dr. Quo said he thought it would be difficult to find common basis of settlement.

Asked what were China's minimum conditions he mentioned Generalissimo's recent statement that China would continue resistance until a durable and just peace was achieved in the Far East.

Dr. Quo Tai-chi also referred to the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration and the principles of the Nine Power Pact which China accepted.

The American Ambassador, Mr. Clarence Gauss, called on the Chinese Foreign Minister yesterday morning.



DR. QUO TAI-CHI

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1941.

## TRANSFER OF R.A.F. WING TO RUSSIA WAS FINE ACHIEVEMENT—MAJ. STEWART

"The transfer of this wing of the R.A.F. to Russia was a great achievement. Whatever route they took showed that the distance to be covered was very long and that the equipment that had to go with this unit was very large," said MAJOR OLIVER STEWART, M.C., A.F.C., the well-known commentator on aerial warfare, when he broadcast from London yesterday.

"Although the Soviet air force had aerodromes ready for our squadrons, they could do nothing about our equipment. In the R.A.F. there is less standardisation than in the German air force. This makes it possible to have the right kind of machine for every job, but it certainly complicates the equipment problem."

Major Stewart declared that what a British squadron would have to take with it would consist of machine-guns, tools, spares, etc. Then there was the fuel problem. Some British machines used a high rating fuel and supplies of this too would have to be taken. Bombers had not only to have bombs but bomb racks, controls and hoists. Bombs had got so large today that they could not possibly be manhandled.

## REPAIR ORGANISATION

"There is one other thing and that is the repair organisation," continued Major Stewart. "Only a few days ago I visited a place where they repair air-screws and it is astonishing how well the work is done. That organisation is important, because even in a minor accident, the air-screw gets a good deal of damage."

"This calls for efficient repairs and such repairs are only possible where there is organisation for them. So that when an air squadron goes to some distant place it cannot have a repair organisation like that and it may be necessary to send these air-screws home before they can be repaired again."

## LINK WITH FACTORIES

"All these reasons show why an air force is at its best when it is closely backed up by organisation for production, maintenance and repairs. It is only when one considers sending a squadron abroad that one realises how closely an aerodrome near those at which it has to operate.

"It is, therefore, possible for a German air squadron to be transferred or to switch to another very quickly indeed. This is the result of the German interior lines of communication which enables them to transfer their aerodromes everywhere they want them. A small air force can do a lot when there are plenty of aerodromes from which they can operate.

"Contrast our problems in this connexion with Germany's," continued Major Stewart. "We are working on exterior lines of communication. To get that wing of the R.A.F. to Russia we probably had to send it round by ship and to enter Soviet territory by way of Murmansk or from Iran."

## SENDING EQUIPMENT

"Even if it had been possible to fly these aeroplanes to Russia, their equipment would have had to go by land or sea. Air squadrons in the future may be able to move entirely by air, but at present nothing like that is possible. A fair amount of stuff must go by land or sea."

"Whatever the circumstances of the air fighting in Russia, I am confident that our R.A.F. machines will acquit themselves there as well as in other places," concluded Major Stewart. "They will show the Germans that by switching operations from the west to the east they have not managed to escape the reach of the R.A.F. Everyone will watch the Soviet communiques, confident that our squadrons will do well and bring aid to Russia."

## "CHURCHILL WEEK"

LONDON, Sept. 16 (B.W.S.) — Inaugurating "Churchill Week" in the borough of Wanstead and Woodford, which is part of the Prime Minister's constituency, the Mayor, Mr. R. E. Fidler, expressed the hope that the week would mark the beginning of a national movement.

The aim of the special effort is to reach the £2,000,000 mark in national savings in the borough before the end of this year.

Sir James Hawkey, former Mayor, announced a promise of £100,000 from Sir Edward Wischaw on behalf of Cable and Wireless Ltd. as an expression of appreciation of the Prime Minister.

A message from the Prime Minister congratulated the inhabitants on having already raised £1,500,000, since the start of the local savings campaign.

CHUNGKING, Sept. 16 (Reuters) — The Chinese Executive Yuan is expected formally to announce the appointment of Mr. Liu Shih-shun as the first Chinese Minister to Canada since a concurrent appointment has already been received from the Canadian Government.

British planes attacked an escorting enemy convoy off the Friesian Islands yesterday afternoon, leaving one ship sinking and another hit and damaged.



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## Sober Guarded Warning To Japan: Duff Cooper's Impressions In Far East

SINGAPORE, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—A sober guarded warning to Japan that today she is "one isolated Power facing overwhelming superiority" in the Pacific and the declaration that "it seems therefore hardly believable that the one Axis Power in the Pacific world will deliberately bring down on her head the concentrated wrath and fury of all the Allied Powers that stand firmly united on this side of the world" were made by Mr. A. Duff Cooper in a broadcast to London from Singapore yesterday concerning his first impressions in the Far East.

Mr. Duff Cooper stated that the stressed that there was only one Pacific Ocean was the biggest Power pledged to the Axis while those supporting the Allied cause were a formidable array.

Examining these Powers in detail, Mr. Duff Cooper made the following comments:

"China . . . four hundred million people in whose hearts is a new patriotism—the fruit of aggression—a new sense of unity, a new passionate determination to maintain their independence and drive the invader from their shore."

**GLORIOUS PAST**  
"Netherlands East Indies . . . those beautiful fertile lands which the Dutch have governed so admirably . . . Dutchmen who have already demonstrated by land, sea and air that they have not forgotten their glorious military past."

"Russia . . . a remorseless, almost invincible fighter . . . which sprawls over half of Europe and Asia."

"United States . . . a gigantic shadow . . . of 130,000,000 people who are pledged to the destruction of tyranny . . . looms behind the British Empire."

"The British Empire whose whole forces are pledged to support the Allies . . . with the backing of Australia and New Zealand, young nations with vigour, courage and vision of a great future."

These Powers, continued Mr. Duff Cooper, are "formidable." A year ago they were in a doubtful position, Russia being connected with the Axis and the United States being much less ready to help the cause of "liberty and justice."

#### COMPLETE CHANGE

However, Mr. Duff Cooper concluded, "the whole situation has undergone a complete change . . . there can be no doubt what the result will be when so many nations are united together and ready for whatever may come."

Mr. Duff Cooper paid a special tribute to China's resistance. After detailing Russia's magnificent stand of 12 weeks against the Germans, Mr. Duff Cooper declared: "The Chinese, one of the most peace-loving peoples of the world, have also aroused wonder by their success in withstanding four years of aggression by a highly modernised efficient and warlike army."

CANBERRA, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Conversations are proceeding here between the Australian and Netherlands East Indies authorities for an interchange of Ministers between Australia and the N.E.I.

## Motives Of Creation Of Japanese National Defence Headquarters Analysed

CHUNGKING, Sept. 16 (Central)—The creation of the National Defence General Headquarters announced in Tokyo by the War Office recently has no direct bearing on the China war; otherwise it would have been created after the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, observed the Chinese military spokesman at his Press conference yesterday afternoon.

Created at a time when the Washington conversations were progressing, the spokesman said Tokyo may want to create the impression that Japan is determined to fight the United States if necessary, thereby hoping to extract more favourable terms from America.

The spokesman noted that the creation of the Headquarters was timed with developments on the Russo-German front where Leningrad and Klev are being threatened. The spokesman surmised therefore that the Headquarters might possibly have been created with a view to paving the way for a Japanese attack on Siberia.

#### ANTI-WAR ELEMENTS

Last but not the least, the spokesman said that another motive behind the creation of the Headquarters may be the suppression of anti-war elements and internal dissensionists so as to maintain peace and order in Japan Proper, Korea and Formosa.

In placing the garrison of Japan Proper, Korea and Formosa under the Headquarters of which Gen. Gen. Otso Yamada is Commander-in-Chief, and the Army and Air Force under the same command, the Chinese military spokesman noticed that the Navy is not subject to Yamada's control. On the other hand, the spokesman remarked, the Headquarters is directly responsible to the Japanese Emperor.

#### FEWER CASES

In fact, there have been fewer cases of scarlet fever, diphtheria, pneumonia and typhoid fever, and only half the number of deaths from influenza. Whooping cough and meningitis have alone been rather more prevalent than usual. Britain's own doctors offer various explanations of the mystery among them the dispersal of densely populated areas, the improved system of health supervision, the spread of education in preventive measures, fewer people at "the pictures" and in other public places.

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## Exports Of U.S. War Supplies To Nations Fighting The Axis

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt reported to Congress that actual exports of American war supplies to nations fighting the Axis under the Lease and Lend programme totalled \$190,447,670 to Aug. 31.

This figure represented expenditures for weapons and other supplies actually sent abroad.

The President added, however, that defence articles transferred, including some still awaiting shipment, amounted to an additional \$35,948,701, while various services, for example, repairing of warships, an additional \$78,169,377.

Furthermore, expenditures for articles for services not yet finished amounted to approximately \$162,000,000.

The President calculated that "through the month of August the total dollar value of defence articles transferred and defence services rendered plus expenditures for other Lease and Lend purposes" amounted to about \$487,000,000.

Mr. Roosevelt said, "Planes, tanks, guns and ships had begun to flow from our factories and yards and the flow will accelerate from day to day until the stream becomes a river and the river a torrent engulfing this totalitarian tyranny which seeks to dominate the world."

### NAZI-CONTROLLED CZECH PAPERS BOYCOTTED

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—As an expression of their indignation at the attitude of the German-controlled Czech newspapers in the German "Czech" Protectorate, which are increasingly contemptuous in their references to the real Czech leaders and have adopted towards the Soviet Union and the United States, an attitude ever more violent than that of the newspapers published in the Reich itself, these newspapers are to be boycotted by the population, says Reuters' Diplomatic Correspondent.

According to information reaching London, the Czechs for a whole week will refrain from buying, reading, borrowing or opening any Czech newspaper.

The boycott began yesterday, the fourth anniversary of the death of M. Thomas Masaryk, the first President of Czechoslovakia.

What is very significant is the fact that the Slovak population has agreed to boycott its own German-controlled newspapers for the same period.

### 168 DEATHS FROM T.B. IN A WEEK

Of a total of 292 cases of TUBERCULOSIS reported to the local Health Authorities for the week ending Sept. 12, 168 deaths from this disease have been registered.

Figures for other notifiable infectious diseases are as follows: cholera 19 cases, five deaths; diphtheria four cases; dysentery 61 cases, 21 deaths; enteric fever 26 cases, ten deaths.

The number of Infectious diseases notified for the 24 hours, ending midnight, Sept. 15 included cholera, 5; dysentery 11; and tuberculosis 37.

Over the week-end the following cases were notified:—cholera, 7; dysentery, 6; enteric fever, 2; and tuberculosis 42.

### Wheat For Iran

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Quantities of wheat, sugar and tea, running into hundreds of tons, are due at Bandarshahpur from India for sale to the proper authorities in Iran, it was announced here.

British and Russian forces in Iran are refraining from buying locally any foodstuffs such as wheat and sugar of which there is a temporary shortage and instead, these two Governments are actually exporting such necessities to Iran.

Soviet vessels are carrying to Iranian ports, via the Caspian Sea, not only supplies for Russian forces but also flour, sugar, cotton and piece goods for sale in Iran.

It is stated here that the first consignment of 48,000 tons of sugar, ordered from the Netherlands East Indies through British and Dutch interests, has already left for Iran.

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Sunrise: 7.11 a.m.; sunset: 7.25 p.m.  
Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.  
Criminal Sessions, Supreme Court  
10 a.m.  
House Committee meeting, S. and S.  
Home, 6.30 p.m.  
Volunteer Bowls Inter-Unit Competition Meeting, No. 2 Lecture Room,  
5.30 p.m.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.)  
Govt. House, 8 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.  
European YMCA War Work, 9 a.m. to noon.  
Cosmopolitan Concert Party, C.C.C.  
in aid of Bomber Fund

18-Tides—High 7.18 a.m. and 9.14 p.m.; Low 1.18 a.m. and 2.44 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.11 a.m.; sunset: 7.24 p.m.  
Entries Close for 7th Extra Meeting of Hongkong Jockey Club, noon.  
Royal Artillery Stanley Dance  
vs. Men's Club T.C.N. St Francis  
Hotel, 1 p.m.  
Victoria Chess Club Gloucester  
Hotel, 5 p.m.  
Koaloon Chess Club Peninsula  
Hotel, 5.30 p.m.  
Cheero Club, Bridge and Mahjong  
St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work

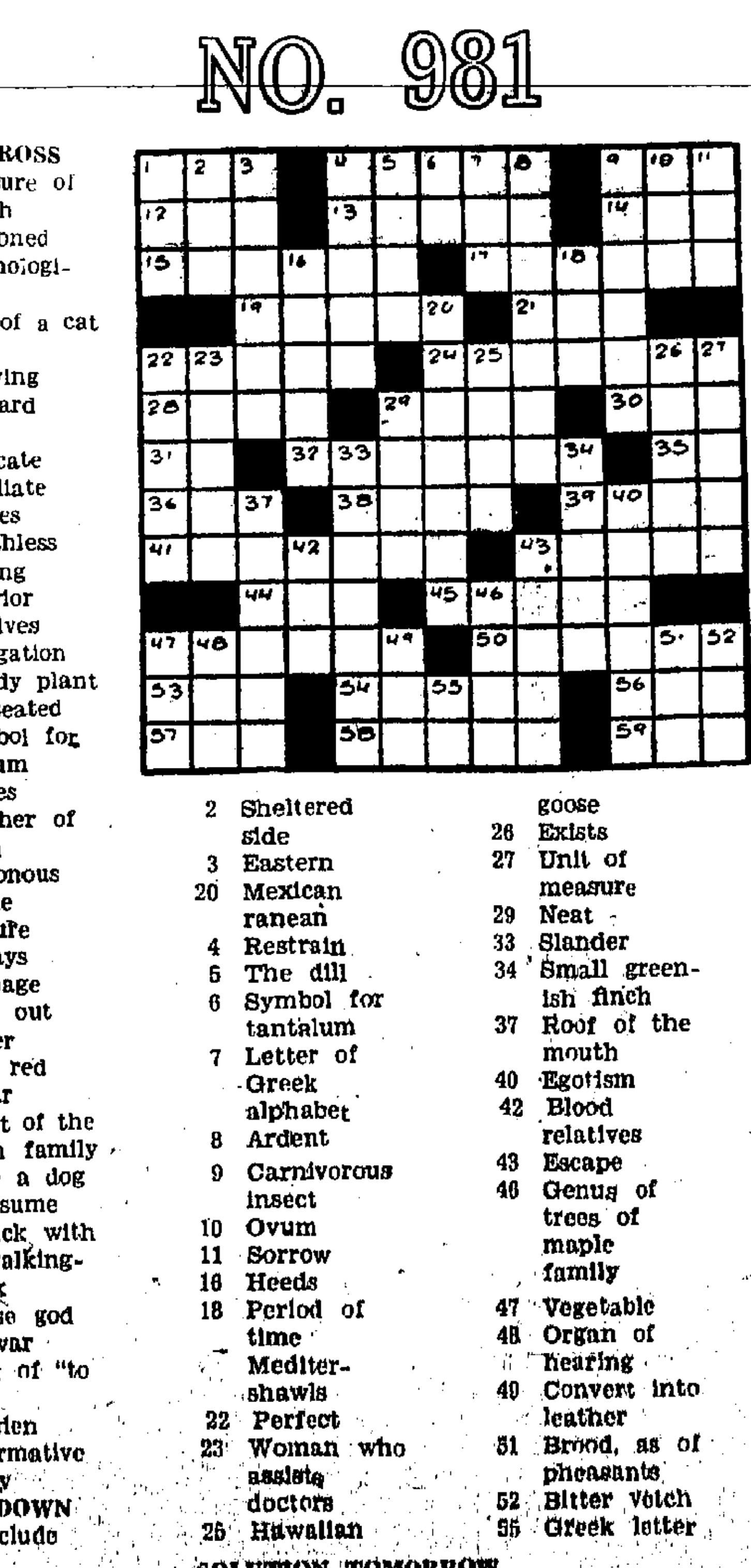
19-Tides—High 8.17 a.m. and 9.31 p.m.; Low 2.11 a.m. and 3.20 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.11 a.m.; sunset: 7.24 p.m.  
Claims against Estate of late Mr. Petrie due

Claims against Estate of late Mable May Reed due.  
HKSPC Supper Carnival at the  
Ritz Quarry Bay, 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
Cheero Club Darts and Table Tennis

Wartime Intercession Service, St. Andrew's Church, 6.30 p.m.  
20-Tides—High 9.09 a.m. and 10.03 p.m.; Low 2.58 a.m. and 3.54 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.11 a.m.; sunset: 7.23 p.m.  
HKVDC Annual Swimming  
Championships Army Pool, 9 p.m.

21-Tides—High 9.58 a.m. and 10.34 p.m.; Low 3.44 a.m. and 4.24 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.11 a.m.; sunset: 7.22 p.m.  
Macao Jockey Club September Race  
Meeting, Arca Preta Course, Macao  
HKCCS Annual Harbour Race  
2.30 p.m.  
22-Tides—High 10.49 a.m. and  
11.07 p.m.; Low 4.20 a.m. and 5.04 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.12 a.m.; sunset: 7.20 p.m.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

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Fox-Trot Along The Santa Fe

Trail (From The Gipsy) Waltz Down

The Gipsy Trail (From The

Estuary) Fox-Trot A Gondolier

In Rio, I Gotta See A Dream About

A Girl Fox-Trot The Gaucho Set

A Horse Waltz As Round And Round

We Go Fox-Trot It's A Horse And

A Saddle For Me. Rumba Montague

The Terrible Fox-Trot Annapolis

Pretty Little Poppy.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Pre-Announcements.

1.02 The Orchestra Mascotte and

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Waltzes Of The World. Peter

Carl Bobrecht Orchestra Ma

soté, C'Est Le Destin Pelet-soté

From The Three Waltzes) Strauss

—Yvonne Printemps with Orchestra

Waltzes — Song D'Automne (Joyce)

After The Ball (Harris) —Orchestra

Mascotte — Mistress Mine (White)

A Woman Smiles (Ellis) (Goodbye

Little) Dream, Goodbye (Porter)

Yvonne Printemps with Orchestra

Second Waltz Medley (Carl Bobrecht)

Orchestra Mascotte

1.45 Half An Hour With Irving

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On The Avenue —Piano Medley

Vivian Ellis. A Little Old Church In

England — Barry Wood (Baritone) w

Orchestra. Follow The Fleet — Selection

— Anton and The Paramount

Theatre Orchestra with Organ

Alexander's Ragtime Band (From The

Film) — The Boswell Sisters "Our

Irving Berlin Waltz Songs Medley

Intro: What'll I Do, Always, May

I Alone; Russian Lullaby; Because

I Love You; Forgot To Remember;

The Song Is Ended (Vocal) — Debroy

Somers Band.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 A Programme of Light Popular Classics.

Henry VIII Dances Shepherd's

Dance; Morris Dance; Torch Dance

(German) — The New Symphony Or

chestra. Le Cygne (Saint-Saens)

Marcel Mule (Alto Saxophone) with

Piano. Waltz in C Sharp Minor

—

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 A Schumann Programme.

Phantasiestücke, Op. 73 For Piano

and Clarinet) — Reginald Kell and

Gerald Moore. The Two Grenadiers

— Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with

Orchestra. Abdencild — Manuel Quiroga

(Violin Solo) with Piano Concerto

In A Minor (Op. 54-1st Mov: Allegro

affetuoso — Andante expressivo; 2nd

Mov: Intermezzo—Andante grazioso;

3rd Mov: Allegro vivace—Alfred Cor

tot (Piano) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Landon

Ronald.

9.45 — 10.00 News in French (on

short wave only).

9.45 English Ballads.

Watchman, What Of The Night

(Sergeant) — Peter Dawson (Singing a

duet with himself). Ballad Of Yesterday

— Teresa de Riego — Intro: O

Dry Those Tears; Happy Song; Then

God For A Garden; Homing — The

Hon. W. Brownlow (Bar.) w. Orch

In An Old Fashioned Town (Squire)

— Titterton (Tenor) with Piano.

10.00 London Relay — The News &amp;

News Commentary.

10.15 Dance Music.

Tangos — Mal De Amor. Pura

Milonga — Orquesta Tipica Francisco

Camaro. Fox-Trots — Where Or When

(From film Babes In Arms); Good

Morning — Jack Hylton and His Orch.

Kumba Fox-Trots — African Laurent

— Don Azpilicueta and His Havana Casino

Orch. Mama Inez — Havana Novelty

Orchestra. Fox-Trots — The Lamp Is

Low; Back To Back (From film

Second Fiddle) — Jimmy Dorsey and

His Orchestra. Quick-Step — On The

Isle Of May; Waltz — When Our

Dreams Grow Old — Joe Loss and His

Orchestra. Fox-Trots — Safe In My

Heart; When You Come To The End

Of A Journey — The Organ. The Dance

Band and Me.

11.00 London — "Britain Today"

Discussion.

11.15 Close Down.

(Chopin: Bronislaw Huberman (Violin) with Piano Waltz from "The Sleeping Beauty" (Tchaikovsky); Liebestraum, No. 3 (Liszt) — Marek Weber and His Orch. Nocturne In E Flat Major (Ed. Duru) Op. 9 No. 2 (Chopin) — Arthur Rubinstein (Piano Solo) Rustle Of Spring (Sinding) — Albert Sandler Trio.

7.17 Excerpts from Gilbert &amp; Sullivan's "The Mikado."

The Sun Whose Rays Are Abundant

Elsie Griffin (Soprano) with Orch.

Here's A How-De-Do! Griffin, D. Oldham and H. Layton, Mi-Ya Sa-Ma

B. Lewis, D. Fancourt and Chorus w.

D. Fancourt (Baritone) with Chorus and Orchestra. See How The Gates

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## Financial Operations Of Axis News Agencies

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Revelations about the financial operations of Axis news agencies were contained in a third report issued by the Parliamentary Committee which is investigating anti-Argentine activities.

The report shows that Trans-Ocean, a German undertaking and the Italian Euro-America, undertaking have spent enormous sums in propaganda though profits they made were negligible.

Between 1937 and 1940 Trans-Ocean received 1,000,000 pesos from Berlin while local receipts did not exceed 26,000 pesos.

In one month this news agency spent 20,000 pesos, compared with local receipts of 600 pesos.

## U.S. MISSION TO MOSCOW

Averell Harriman  
Greeted By Eden  
At Aerodrome

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—When Mr. Averell Harriman, head of the United States Mission to Moscow, arrived in London by air yesterday evening, he was greeted at the aerodrome by Mr. Eden (Foreign Secretary), Lord Beaverbrook (Minister for Supply), Capt. Harold Balfour (Under-Secretary for Air), Mr. John G. Winant (American Ambassador in London), and M. Ivan Maisky (Soviet Ambassador) and Oumasky (Russian Ambassador in Washington who is on his way to Moscow).

Mr. Harriman was accompanied by three members of the Mission, namely, Admiral W. H. Standley, Major-General James Burns and Mr. William Batt, of the United States Office of Production.

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## AIRSHIPS WILL GUARD BOSTON HARBOUR

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Airships will guard Boston harbour against submarines.

This was disclosed yesterday by Capt. Charles Rosendahl, naval dirigible expert.

Six "blimps" will be stationed at the new dirigible base at South Weymouth to guard the approaches to the harbour.

Interviewed, Capt. Rosendahl said that 48 non-rigid blimps had been authorised and that money for 27 had been appropriated.

## SERIOUS VIEW TAKEN OF GERMAN THREAT TO KIEV

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—A serious view is taken here of the German threat to Kiev, writes ANNALIST in a military commentary yesterday.

It is obvious that the German High Command is making another attempt to use the pincer offensive which has not proved conspicuously successful so far.

In territories where fighting equipped for extreme variations hitherto has taken place there are no towns of sufficient importance to call for their defence to the last and, as a consequence, the Soviet forces have always evaded the arms of the pincers while inflicting the maximum loss on the enemy as they advanced.

This system of "elastic defence" proved exceedingly successful and the only cases where Soviet troops did not elude the German encirclement were at Tallinn and Odessa.

ODESSA HOLDING

Both these places, however, could be reinforced and supplied from the sea and Tallinn was finally evacuated when resistance was no longer possible. Odessa is still holding and seems confident of its ability to do so indefinitely.

The case of Leningrad is not entirely analogous because, according to Russia claims, it is not completely encircled although seriously menaced.

But Kiev is now distinctly threatened and the Russians, apparently, have no intention of evacuating the place but will rely on their defence, on their indomitable spirit and on the rigours of winter to keep the Germans at bay.

THROWING ALL WEIGHT

It is obvious that the Germans are throwing all their weight into the scale to try to effect a decisive success in the few days left before winter sets in.

Already the first snow has fallen at Murmansk and low temperatures further south point to a severe winter.

Advantages conferred by a "general frost" will all be on the side of the defenders who will not only be better sheltered but better

describing them as a prelude of things to come. Moscow Radio yesterday mentioned Hitler's enormous tank losses on the eastern front.

"German tanks were Goebbel's trump card in his myth about German invincibility," the speaker said, adding: "In war against a weak and isolated adversary of the west this argument carried some weight but it has fallen down deplorably in the campaign against the U.S.S.R."

"During the first week of the war German tank forces sustained losses which it was possible to replace. After three weeks of war, however, Hitler lost 12 tank divisions and after two months of war, 8,000 tanks in all.

"These figures are too palpable for Goebbel's foolish swaggering

## British Tanks Next Week For The Front Lines Defending Leningrad, Kiev

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Every tank and tank part made in Britain next week is to be sent straight to the front lines of defending LENINGRAD, KIEV and ODESSA.

This token of Britain's all-out aid for the Soviet Union is announced by the Minister of Supply, LORD BEAVERBROOK, in a telegram to all tank factory workers.

His message runs:

"The call is for the utmost. From now on tank factories in this country must supply not only the armies of Britain but the needs of Russia whose soldiers today fight in the same shining cause."

"From Monday next, Sept. 22, therefore, and for the space of seven days the work of your hands will be sent to the front lines defending Leningrad, Kiev and Odessa. There will be no delay. There will be more to come."

"But the tanks you build next week will go forthwith into action to play their part in the battle now. Come then in the foundries and forges of Britain, in the engine works and assembly lines to the tank and duty of helping Russia to repel the savage invaders who bring torture to mankind."

Many high ranking Government officials and publishers and editors of various newspapers here were also invited to the function.

After a few days stay here, Dr. Romulo will leave for Kunming for a visit.

## Big Air Combat On Egyptian-Tripoli Frontier Told

CAIRO, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—A big air battle on the Egyptian-Tripoli frontier was recorded in a communiqué from British R.A.F. Headquarters on Monday evening.

The communiqué says: "A strong force of South African bombers yesterday attacked and dispersed enemy motor transport and armoured fighting vehicles in the frontier area.

"A large number of the bombs fell among the vehicles. Many direct hits were observed and fires of considerable dimensions broke out."

"The last formation of our attacking aircraft, with its fighter escorts" was engaged by German and Italian fighters. In the ensuing air combat one Messerschmitt of the 109 type and one Italian of the CANT 50 type were destroyed, and others badly damaged.

"One of our bombers and three fighters are missing."

SUCCESSFUL ATTACK

"Another force of our fighters attacked a large concentration of enemy aircraft on the Gambut landing ground. The attack was successful, a large number of enemy aircraft being destroyed or badly damaged."

"One Italian aircraft of a 'Seven-nine' type was shot down in the frontier zone."

"During Saturday night R.A.F. bombers raided Tripoli, Benghazai and Barce.

"At Tripoli bombs were dropped on shipping in the harbour and on the Spanish Mole. Many bursts were observed on and near ships both in the harbour and on the quayside."

"At Zuara one large ship, believed to be part of the remnants of a convoy successfully attacked by the Fleet Air Arm and R.A.F. in Central Mediterranean, was seen blazing furiously. The ship later exploded with great violence."

OIL STORAGE HIT

"At Benghazai both the harbour and shipping were bombed while at Barce an oil storage building was bombed by the Fleet Air Arm during Saturday night."

"In addition to those already mentioned one other British aircraft is missing. The crew of one British aircraft which was reported lost in the Mediterranean on Sept. 12 has now been brought to safety."

## CHINA-BURMA RELATIONS

The Chinese Goodwill Mission to Burma has returned to China, warmly appreciative of the hospitality and courtesies accorded them by the Governor, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, Premier U. Saw, of the Burmese Government, and various popular organisations in Burma.

"They are all quite enthusiastic over the future co-operation between China and Burma, not only in cultural but also in economic fields," Dr. Quo Tai-chi said, according to Central News.

of the victories of German arms in the east to stand the test. But these figures are far from final. They are but a prelude of things yet to come."

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DR. ROMULO ENTERTAINED

CHUNGKING, Sept. 16 (Central)

—General Wu Te-chen, Secretary-General of the Central Kuomintang, gave a dinner party yesterday evening in honour of Dr. Carlos P. Romulo, publisher and editor-in-chief of the P.M.H.M. chain of newspapers in the Philippines, who arrived here on a fact-finding tour from Hongkong last Saturday.

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WANTADS PRESSURE!

REVISION OF NEUTRALITY ACT DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Mr. Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives, stated at a Press conference that the revision of the Neutrality Act was discussed by legislature leaders at a conference with President Roosevelt at the White House yesterday but no conclusions were reached.

Mr. Rayburn did not disclose details of the discussion but, answering a question, said: "There has been a lot of talk about it."

He declared the President would send a message to Congress on Thursday on the subject of new Lease and Lend appropriation which, informed sources said, would amount to \$6,000,000,000.

The neutrality law, among other things, forbids the arming of merchantmen engaged in commerce with any foreign countries after the President has proclaimed that a state of war exists between those nations.

British T.U.C. Move Welcomed In India

BOMBAY, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—The Executive of the All-India Anti-Fascist Trades Union Council, claiming to represent over 150,000 workers, passed a resolution welcoming the move of the British Trades Union Congress to set up a joint Anglo-Soviet Trades Union Council to intensify the anti-Fascist struggle, and to safeguard the interests of workers and condemning the attitude of the All-India Trade Union Congress in the matter.

ALEXANDRIA RAID

CAIRO, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Two people were slightly injured and slight damage was caused to property in an air raid on Alexandria yesterday morning.

Alarms were also sounded in some Delta provinces.

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## U.S. NAVY WILL PROTECT LEASE-LEND CARGOES

MILWAUKEE, WIS., Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Beginning today, the United States Navy will protect all Lease-Lend cargoes traversing the sea "between the American continent and the waters adjacent to Iceland," said Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, addressing the American Legion Convention.

Colonel Knox described the Atlantic Fleet's orders in unequivocal language—"to capture or destroy" every Axis surface or sub-surface raider that is encountered.

"This is our answer to Hitler's Pointing out that the Navy Declaration that he will try to prevent immediately published every ship encountered on all information about this incident sunk in the United while the German Government routes leading to British ports," he added, countered by saying that the States to British ports.

Col. Knox's announcement came Great Britain fired the first shot. Col.

near the end of his address in Knox said: "The whole issue is which he declared that since the far too broad to make the question United States occupation of Iceland of who fired first of great import Nazis have been palpably lost. But he added that he wanted the Battle of the Atlantic and to refer to it because it offered a chance to that curious organisation were therefore forced to attempt to tell the American First Committee to break down the bridge of ships into the American naval officer carrying supplies to Britain.

If Hitler and the Nazis did not want in its judgment, it was more take swiftly successful measures to likely that the German U-boat break down that bridge. Col. commander was telling the truth Knox said: "The defeat of England than the American naval officer and the primary purpose of the who commanded the Greer."

### IMPORTANT FACT

That is an important fact for the American public to digest, that we have in our midst an organisation of American citizens who on the question of veracity declared publicly that they preferred to accept the word of a practical murderer of women and children on the high seas engaged in the type of warfare denounced by every civilised nation in the world."

Col. Knox avoided using the word "convoy," saying that beginning tomorrow the American Navy will provide protection as adequate as we can make it for ships of every flag carrying Lease-Lend Aid supplies."

## Government May Save Clerks From Unemployment

(TRIBUNE STAFF REPORTER)

Hundreds of experienced clerks in rubber broking and rubber dealing firms in Malaya are threatened with unemployment as the result of a situation which is forcing the firms out of business.

It all began when the United Kingdom, represented by Sir John Hay, at about this time last year, made an agreement with the United States by which the latter was to buy up surplus stocks of rubber to build up a reserve of 300,000 tons, for any emergency.

It was agreed that this rubber freight space to America would be bought within certain price limits, so as to ensure producers a fair price, but events have occurred which have forced the U.S. Government in order to buy rubber for the reserve stock within the price ranges, to become for practical purposes the importer of rubber. Consumers in the U.S. were forcing up the price and there was little rubber going to the reserve stock.

The U.S. Government's action has knocked the big firms out of business because free competition has ended and rubber is being bought and sold here at prices which allow the dealers and brokers no chance to make a profit.

Government has been approached and is taking a sympathetic interest in the matter and negotiations are proceeding which, even if successful, may still mean that many clerks will be forced out of employment.

Sir John Hay, representing the British Government and the International Committee, made the agreement with the United States Government during June and August last year.

The objects of the agreement were that the U.S. could be assured of a reserve stock in case of an emergency, while the British and Dutch producers could be assured of a fair price for some time to come.

Arrangements were made that the stock would be held by the U.S. Government and would be resold eventually in such a way that it would not unduly disturb the market.

To build up this reserve, a Reserve Company was formed composed of the five biggest consumers in the U.S.—GoodYear, Goodyear, Firestone, General Rubber and U.S. Rubber, who have come to be known as the "Big Five."

Unfortunately consumers' demands for rubber became so great that the Reserve Company was unable to buy sufficient rubber, consumers—including the Big Five—buying so much that there was only a trickle available for the Reserve Company.

The Reserve Company was being outbid by consumers and the price rose till it exceeded the limit agreed to originally by the British and U.S. Government, and, of course, the Dutch Government.

In addition an acute shortage of

## FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

### London Stock Exchange

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Sept. 15. The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

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War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red after 1952) 106 5 16

Defence Loan, 3% 101 1

Canton Kloon Rly. 5% 13

Chinese 4% Gold Loan 46

1888 (Brit Issue) 46

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds 45

1925/47 45

Chin. 4% Anglo-French Loan, 1908 46

Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 29 1/2

1912 38

Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 38

1913 (Ldn Is.) 10

Chinese 8% Ster. Notes 10

1925 (Vickers) 10

Imperial Rly 5% 14

Loan 60

Honan Rly. 5% 1905 14

Bukuang Rly. 5% 1911

(L.P. N.Y. Issue) 15

(German Issue) 13

Lung Tsing & U Hat Rly. 5% 1910 13

Shai-Nking Rly. 5% 17

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% 13

(Brit. Stpd.) 13

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.) 13

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 13

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 13

Jap. 6% Ster. Loan 1924 29 1/2

Chartered Bank 9 1/2

H.K. & Shal. Banking Corp. (Ldn. Reg.) 77 1/2

H.K. & Shal. Banking Corp. (Col. Reg.) 85

Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) 15 1/2

Chosen Corporation 5 1/2

Mercantile Bank of India 11 1/2

Perkin Syndicate 1 1/2

Shai Elec. Constr. Co. 13 1/2

Shai Waterworks "A" 15

Union Insurance 22

Gula Kalumpong Rubber 15

Lon. Mid. & Scot. Rly. 15 1/2

Great Western Rly. 41 1/2

National Bank of India 32

A. T. (bearer) 92 1/2

Dunlop Rubber 35 10 1/2

Bristol Aeroplane 10 7 1/2

Imperial Chemical Ind. 32 4 1/2

United Steel 23 7 1/2

Woolworths 57 3/4

Marsman Investments 7 1/2

Western Holdings 19 1/2

Sub-Nig. 143 1/2

Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer) 56 1/2

\* bid 1 ex div.

These maximum prices become minimum prices.

### PRICE RAISING FACTOR

The quantity of rubber arriving in the U.S. was not enough to satisfy the demands of consumers and they bought all they could of rubber for immediate shipment—another price-raising factor which defeated the object of the rubber reserve idea.

Prices exceeded the agreed limits and space on ships which should have gone to the reserve shipment was being allocated to consumers.

It once again became a problem which the U.S. Government had to settle and the authorities decided that all rubber should go through a single buying agency. Consumption was rationed so that any surplus would automatically go to the Reserve Company.

The Reserve Company was appointed the sole buyer for the U.S. Government and at the same time prices for all grades were fixed and the United Kingdom buyers also agreed not to exceed Reserve Company's prices.

Here it should be mentioned that one of the items agreed on when Sir John Hay and U.S. Government representatives met and decided on the necessity of building up a reserve stock, was that in buying the rubber, normal channels of the trade should be used in order that the trade should not be disorganized. This was necessary as it was realized that normal trade facilities would be needed when the war ended.

However, with the fixing of maximum and minimum prices and making the Reserve Company the sole buyer of rubber the "normal trade" was affected.

In Malaya the effect was that prices were virtually fixed and this destroyed the free market Malaya hitherto enjoyed. This is explained by the usual result that when prices are fixed, invariably

### Sugar Prices

New York, Sept. 15 (Reuter).

Raw Sugar Centrifugal, shipped from Cuba, c. f. New York, duty free:—

Spot 3.50b

Raw Sugar Futures (Contract No. 3)

Sept. 2.74b/76a

Jan. 2.78b/80a

Mar. 2.77b/79a

May 2.80b/82a

July 2.82b/84a

Sales for the day—25 lots.

Raw Sugar Futures (Contract No. 4)

Dec. 2.12b 12 1/2a

Mar. 2.08b 09a

May 2.08b/09a

July 2.10b 10a

Volume of business done—163 lots.

Bid A asked N nominal

WINNIPEG WHEAT

per bushel

Oct. 73 73

Dec. 74 1 47

May 78 18

CHICAGO WHEAT

per bushel

Sept. 118 118

Dec. 122 122

May 126 126

Highest (Dec.) 122 1

Lowest ( ) 121 1

Saturday's sales—10,719,000 bushels.

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London 0/3-5 32

Oct. 17.80 80 17.71 71

Dec. 17.99/18.00 17.90/91

Jan. 18.08/08 17.95 N

Mar. 18.21/21 18.08/10

May 18.35/32 18.21/21

July 18.39/39 18.25/25

Spot 18 41

Highest (Dec.) 18.09

Lowest ( ) 17.90

Silver, Official Rate 34 3/4

London Silver, Spot 23 1/2d

NEW YORK COTTON

London, Sept. 15 (Reuter).

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle

Price, buyers £257, sellers £257

1/4.

Tin, Standard, 3 Months, Middle

Price, buyers £259 3/4, sellers £260

Market steady.

### Rubber's Future: Warning

A dividend of six per cent. was approved at the 18th annual meeting of Gorton (Malaya) Rubber Estates Ltd., in London recently, as against 3 1/2 per cent. for 1939.

Sir Gordon Voules, the chairman, said: "It had been my intention to invest practically the whole of the working capital of this company in War Bonds, treating them as the equivalent of cash upon which we could arrange with our bankers to make advances as and when actually required for expenditure.



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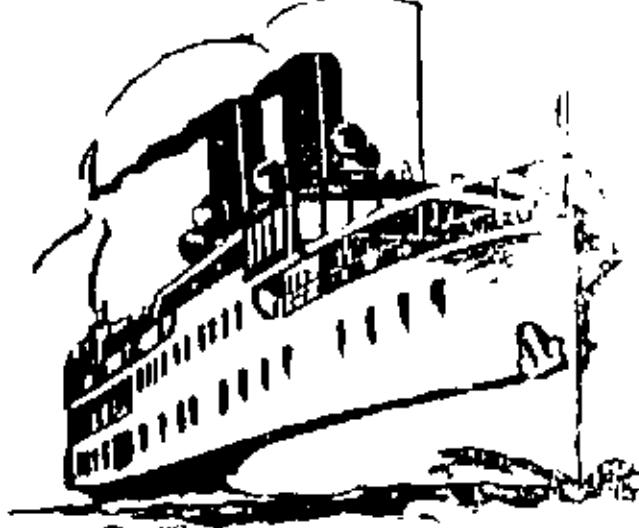
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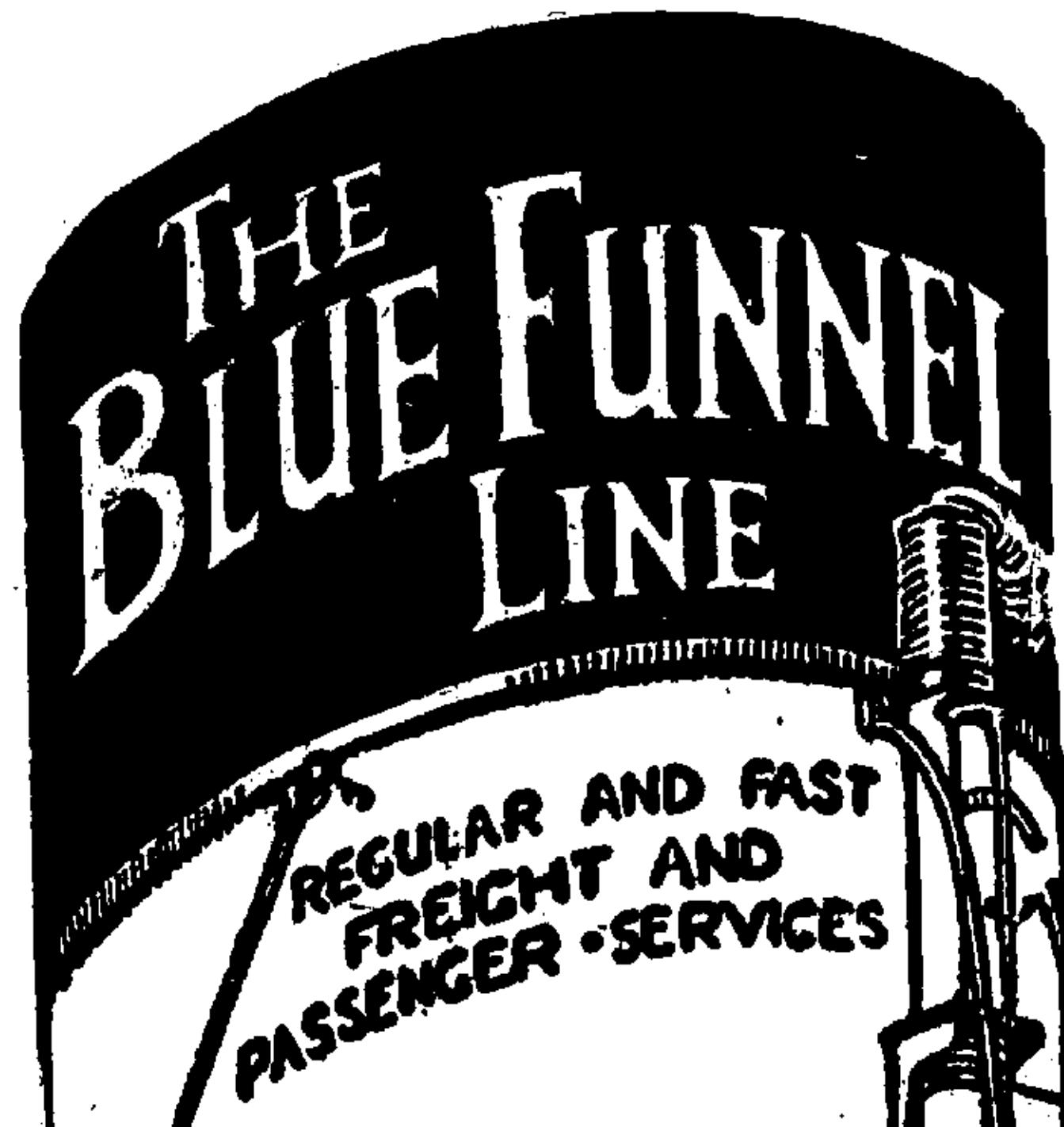
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## NATIONAL AIR RAID DISTRESS FUND

### Aid From Empire Sources

LONDON, Sept. 16 (BWS)—The extent of aid from Empire sources to the National Air Raid Distress Fund was revealed by the Chairman of the north-eastern region council of the Fund at Sheffield when a mobile canteen, presented to Sheffield by residents of Salisbury, SOUTHERN RHODESIA, was handed over by Mr. H. M. Lanigan O'Kieffe, High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia.

### MUTINY BY PRO-JAP. TROOPS

CHUNGKING, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Thirty thousand pro-Japanese troops, it is reported, have mutinied in the north of Honan Province according to a Chinese communiqué which states

"GENERAL LIU CHANG-YI, pro-Japanese northern Honan pacification commissioner, commanded 30,000 troops in an area in the vicinity of Sinyang, Ponal, Menghsien and Chiyuan.

"On Sept. 11, when 50 Japanese officers, including a general and a major, inspected his troops, the latter mutinied and killed all the Japanese officers excepting two whom they made prisoner.

"Afterwards, these troops attacked a Japanese position in the area, capturing Wenhien and inflicting 600 casualties. On the following day, the Japanese at Sinyang counter-attacked in the direction of Wenhien. Fighting is said to be at present progressing between Japanese and Chinese troops."

### SEAFARERS WANT ADEQUATE WAR BONUS

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Nine ships are now tied up as the result of a strike called by seafarers of the International Union of North America which began on Saturday.

In an interview, Mr. John Hawk, National Secretary of the Union, said the strike would spread to many other ships now at sea when they reached port.

### No Sign Of Agreement

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States is no longer willing to accept promises of action or inaction only later to find them unfulfilled because of some alleged change in Japanese domestic politics or some new Japanese Army re-entrance.

If Japan expresses a willingness to take certain steps they must be irrevocable steps and it is stated that the talks which have so far taken place in Washington have made this amply clear to the Japanese Government beyond possibility of misunderstanding.

All that can be said at present is that the exploratory discussions are going on and it is difficult to find any really informed person here who believes that anything but a "truce" with Tokyo is possible from these talks and at this stage relations are likely to remain in suspense, certainly getting no better and probably getting no worse, with Japan remaining quiet and continuing to play for time to the benefit of the United States in that she would not have to engage in hostilities in the Pacific at this time.

**JAPAN'S FEAR**  
There is not the slightest suggestion that while these exploratory talks continue any economic sanctions which America imposed on Japan should be relaxed. It must be remembered that it is Japan who has the most to fear from worsening relations with the United States or China.

Reports from Tokyo and statements by Japanese spokesmen indicating that Japan has been friendly towards the United States by allowing tankers to reach Vladivostok are assessed in Washington at their true value.

It is known that feeling in Japan is bitter that Russia can get from the United States supplies which Japan herself covets but cannot get and these latest statements on the subject are considered in Far Eastern circles here as an effort to make a virtue out of weakness.

### SUCCESSOR TO IVANOFF NOMINATED

SHANGHAI, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—It is reported that at a meeting of the local Russian Emigrants' Committee held last night it was decided to nominate M. K. Serejnikoff, Acting Chairman, to replace N. A. Ivanoff who was assassinated yesterday afternoon.

It is understood that Mr. Serejnikoff had previous experience in administrative work as he was connected with the emigre organisations in Harbin and Tien-tsin.

It was held probable last night that the new Acting Chairman would take over the affairs of the Russian Emigrants' Committee shortly.

### PANE CAUSES PAIN

The High Commissioner said, "We are in this war of our own free will and up to the necks in it. Our people and resources are at the disposal of the Mother Country."

Kung So, 38, male, of No. 93 Austin Road, second floor, was sent to the Kowloon Hospital to the result of a pane of glass falling on him at Holt's Wharf during the typhoon.

### STORY OF TYPHOON

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about 11 a.m. also restarted operation.

Restaurants in town did a roaring business as many office workers who ordinarily go home for lunch were left stranded by the suspension of the various services.

#### HARBOUR DAMAGES

Four large ships and innumerable junks were reported by mid-day to be in trouble in the Harbour as the result of the very rough weather and the huge waves slaming the waterfront.

One of the vessels was reported to be a 7,000-ton ship which had gone aground on Little Green Island, some 300 yards from Green Island. According to a Police report, the bows of this vessel were firmly embedded on the island. The crew have landed on the island but, due to the ship being held fast, the men could go on board and leave as they like despite the velocity of the wind and waves at this point.

Another vessel of 3,000 tons was seen drifting past Mount Davis about 12 noon towards the minefields. Police and naval craft were sent to her assistance.

Half an hour later, another vessel was seen drifting towards the minefield in the direction of Kau I Chau Island. A river boat which grounded on Stoneycutters re-floated itself later in the afternoon.

An unfinished ship lying off Tali-koo Docks dragged her anchors and grounded shortly after noon at North Point, about 150 yards west of the Ritz, in about eight ft. of water. The six Chinese members of the crew on board were unhurt.

#### JUNK SUNK

Firly in the morning, a large junk from Chinese territory was caught in a gust whilst taking shelter in a bay at Castle Peak and overturned and sunk. The five men on board were thrown into the water but managed to swim ashore.

A message was received by the Water Police Station, from the No. 7 Police Station, at 2.15 to the effect that trading junk No. T3635H was tied up in the West Point district after having been adrift for some time. There were four men on board.

There was considerable excitement among the occupants of the hundreds of junks and sampans of all sizes anchored in the Causeway Bay typhoon shelter when the mooring ropes of some of the larger craft broke. These vessels were buffeted against each other and against neighbouring boats.

After an hour's hard work, the crew succeeded in making fast their junks again but not, it was reported, before a small sampan, which was caught between two junks, was smashed and its occupants thrown into the water.

Gusts of gale force swept the Colony, tearing down signboards, blowing away flower-pots, ripping off leaves and branches of trees, and lifting the roofs of numerous bathing sheds both in North Point and at Stanley.

#### STANDS DAMAGED

The footpath stands at the Naval Recreation Ground, the South China Athletic Association ground, and at the Hongkong Football Club ground were all partly damaged. The amusement park

#### MINOR ACCIDENTS

During the height of the "blow," several minor accidents took place all over the Colony. A Chinese woman, carrying a couple of pails of slop along Hennessy Road, was lifted clear off the road and carried, with her pails, along a distance of three or four feet.

A taxi was swung a complete round when caught by a gust near the Causeway Bay tram terminus, while another woman, walking along King's Road, was lifted off her feet and flung onto the ground and rendered unconscious.

In Kowloon, a bus was forced off its course into the traffic post at the junction of Chatham Road and Nathan Road near the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. A rickshaw proceeding to the "Star" ferry was overturned but, luckily, neither the fare nor the puller suffered any injuries.

### 37,000 SOFT COAL MINERS ON STRIKE

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—About 37,000 soft coal miners employed in "captive" mines of seven steel corporations operating to capacity on defence orders were ordered to go on strike yesterday.

(Captive mines are those whose coal is used entirely by the parent organisation.)

The corporations affected include the nation's three largest steel producers—United States Steel Corporation, Bethlehem Steel Corporation and Republic Steel Corporation.

The strike order has been issued in support of a demand for closed shop.

## FOREIGN MAIIS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 17th SEPTEMBER, 1941.

The following changes in postage rates will be effective as from 1st September 1941.

Letters	Postcards each
—	\$0.04
\$1.85	\$0.90
\$3.50	\$1.80
air mail surcharges	per 1/2 oz

by air to U.S.A. and onwards by sea

Parcel Post Service to Japan is temporarily suspended.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:

Yunnan  
Szechuan  
Kweichow  
Hunan  
Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu)  
Kwangsi  
North and East of Kwangtung

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD AIR MAIIS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 5th September.	17th Sept.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 19th September.	26th Sept.

### OUTWARD AIR MAIIS

For	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 17th Sept. K.P.O. Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 19th Sept. K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
MONDAY	Mon. 22nd Sept. K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 26th Sept. K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

### GERMANS PROBABLY PREPARED FOR WINTER CAMPAIGN WITH THEIR USUAL THOROUGHNESS

LONDON, Sept. 16 (Reuter)—Help for Russia forms the subject of leading articles in several morning papers today.

THE TIMES, after reviewing the threats to Odessa, Kiev and Leningrad, points out that it is unlikely the tension will be greatly relaxed with the coming of winter, if the defenders hold out till then, "but for many forms of military activity, frost is more favourable than mud and it is not expected that the Germans failed to prepare for winter campaign with their usual thoroughness."

"Fighting will still go on though, perhaps at a slower pace. For us the lesson is plain—to get to the Russian front all the help we can send as quickly as we can. It is good news that additionally to the hundreds of aeroplanes previously sent, a wing of the R.A.F. is already operating on the Russian front. It is good news also that Mr. Averell Harriman and other American delegates to the Moscow conference have arrived in England and that the conference will be held without further delay."

The DAILY MAIL says that the coming events in the Far East are dictated by the course of events of the Russian campaign at a moment when things are beginning to take serious for Marshal Budenov's armies. The loss of Kremenchug, following that of Cherepovets, constitutes a grave menace to Kiev. The fate of the Ukrainian capital is being watched anxiously by Tokyo no less than Moscow, Berlin, London and Washington. The MANCHESTER GUARDIAN writes that nothing could better please the people of Russia, who need help, and the people of Britain, who want help sent quickly, than Lord Beaverbrook's robust and imaginative message to tank factories that all they make next week will go to Russia.

"We could do with more messengers like Lord Beaverbrook's in this country. It has the inspiring manner of the Russian Radio. Shall we not also have aircraft weeks?"

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